



## Public Service Through Amateur Radio

South Wake ARC's primary purpose is to further the Amateur Radio Service through programs, activities, and education, in order to promote the radio knowledge, fraternalism and individual operating efficiency of our members. Further, it shall be our purpose to support the welfare of our community through public service including radio communications for emergency situations and public events, and through providing information, training, and assistance to individuals or organizations with an interest in the Amateur Radio Service.

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# SWARCer News

March 2012

## March Meeting Minutes

Jeremy (KJ4FYX) opened the meeting with intros by each person in attendance.

Christy (KJ4AEO) gave the treasury Report. The club's bank account changed due to RBC being bought by PNC.

Jeremy thanked Greg (AK4LK) for doing the newsletter, and Greg moved to accept minutes as published in the newsletter.

Adrian (AJ4NX) gave net report and noted that we need net controllers for Sunday and Tuesday.

Jeremy suggested we move on to old business. There was no old business to discuss.

### New Business -

Jeremy announced that RARSfest is April 7th, and the club is purchasing 3 tables for \$54.

Admission is \$7 in advance or \$8 at the door. If anybody has anything to sell, bring it out to RARSfest to be put on the tables.



If you have announcements or other items of interest to the ham community that you would like to have included in this newsletter, please contact Greg Keys - AK4LK at [lgkeys@gmail.com](mailto:lgkeys@gmail.com)

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## NETS

The following nets take place on the 145.21Mhz (82.5 Hz) K4ITL "Blackjack" Repeater.

**Nightly 2m Rag Chew Net** - Every night at 7:30pm

**South Wake ARC Traders Net** - Every Tuesday night of each month with the exception of the 2nd Tuesday, immediately following the Nightly 2m Rag Chew Net.

**South Wake ARC Tech Net** - Every 2nd Tuesday night immediately following the Nightly 2m Rag Chew Net

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### President

Jeremy Barnard - KJ4FYX

#### Vice President

Anna Crissman - KF4USQ

#### Secretary

Greg Keys - AK4LK

#### Treasurer

Christy Fernandini - KJ4AEO

#### Membership Director

Ryan Avery - NC4RA

#### Member-At-Large

Dave Yow - K4MSE

#### Member-At-Large

Tim Ruffin - W4TAR

### APPOINTED POSITIONS

#### Net Manager

Adrian Peele - AJ4NX

#### Special Events Director

Gino Fernandini - KI4YXO

## Net Report

Hello SWARCers! This is the net report I have, and it covers all nets for February 2012. I did not receive all net reports for the month, which is why some net reports are not accounted for. Here are the numbers that I have.

Net Sessions: 25

SWARC members participating: 25

Visitors participating: 52

Total checkins: 433

Average of 17 checkins per night

### Net Controls

KJ4CVK ran 8 nets

AJ4NX ran 6 nets

KK4BVU ran 4 nets

KT4JR ran 4 nets

W3OJO (guest) ran 2 nets

NC4MP ran 1 net

### Top 10

The check in champs for February 2012 are KJ4CVK and KK4BVU with 25 check ins each. The runner up is KT4JR with 24 check ins. Next is K4MWE with 22 check ins. Then we have the Troll from Pikeville NC4MP with 18 check ins. Next we have Big Ugly KA0GMY, the intelligent KI4YII, and KD4KII each with 12 check ins. The mouthy NC4BJ is next with 8 check ins. Then we have KK4ATD with 7 check ins. Next is AK4LK with 4 check ins. We have our pres. himself KJ4FYX, K4DRT, and KK4FNS with 3 check ins each. Rounding out the top 10 is KK4ATC, and KJ4DNS each with 2 check ins.

That is the numbers I have for the month of February. We do need a net control for Sunday night. As for Tuesday night, I received an email from a new ham, KK4HEK. His name is Justin, and he is interested in calling the Tuesday night net. He will not be able to start until we are back on the .21 because he is not able to hit the .105 repeater. I was able to listen to him call a net for another club recently, and he did a very good job. He is just getting started and is a rather young man, so if you hear him calling the Tuesday night net, please check in and give him some support, and go easy on him. I would like to thank all of the net controls for their services as net control. All of you do an outstanding job. That is all I have for this month. 73 till next time!

~AJ4NX~



**South Wake Amateur Radio Club Treasurer Report  
March 2012**

**Club Addition and Reduction Activity**

**Additions**

Dues	15.00	cash	W3WZN Chuck Decourt
Donations	8.00	cash	
50/50	25.00	cash	
Meal collection	70.00	cash/check	
<b>Total Additions</b>	<b>118.00</b>		

**Reductions**

RARS fest tables (3)	54.00	check # 1501	Jeremy Barnard
Meal cost	91.10	check # 1502	Food Lion
Sympathy card-Frank Lynch	2.00	cash	WalMart
P.O. Box fee-12 months	86.00	check # 1503	USPS
<b>Total Reductions</b>	<b>233.10</b>		

**RBC Bank Account Activity**

Balance as of 03/05/12	1690.03		
Addition	70.00		
Reduction	233.10		

**Balance as of 4/2/2012**      1526.93  
**Cash on hand**                      46.00

Christine Fernandini KJ4AEO 04/02/2012



## Ham Resources

### Podcasts:

Practical Amateur Radio Podcast - Hosted by Jerry Taylor KD0BIK  
<http://myamateurradio.com/>

Ham Nation - Hosted by Bob Heil and co-hosted by Gordon West and others.  
<http://www.twit.tv/hn>

### Publications:

QST Magazine - The official publication of the ARRL.  
<http://www.arrl.org/qst>

CQ Magazine -  
<http://www.cq-amateur-radio.com>

## Announcements

**Meeting-** April 2nd, 2012 - 6pm dinner / 7pm meeting.  
Location: [Fuquay Varina Presbyterian Church](#) - 307 N. Ennis St in Fuquay Varina  
Program: TBD

**Weekly Informal Breakfast** - Every Saturday 9am at the Golden Corral in Fuquay Varina.

**RARSFest 2012** - Jim Graham Building, NC State Fairgrounds - 1025 Blue Ridge Rd, Raleigh

**RTP Lunch** - If you live or work in or near Research Triangle Park (or even if you don't), come join some of your fellow hams for lunch at Monterrey Mexican Restaurant at 4900 NC 55 near the intersection of Hwy 54 and 55 on April 12 at noon. If there's a decent turnout, we can discuss making it a regular event! Please contact Greg Keys (AK4LK) if you know you're coming so we make sure to get a table big enough to seat everybody.

**Ham Radio Class** - The Raleigh Amateur Radio Society (RARS) will be holding classes intended to prepare attendees for the Technician Class exam. The class will be held on April 14 and 28. Check the RARS website ([www.rars.org](http://www.rars.org)) for more info.

